

# Conservation Security Program Enhancement Job Sheets

**Wildlife Enhancement Job Sheets Minnesota, 2005**

## ***Conservation Buffer Enhancement - Wildlife***

### **Definition**

Add a minimum of 50' to the width of any existing perennial buffer utilizing a mixture of native perennial vegetation.

### **Purpose**

Perennial vegetation buffers can provide wildlife habitat, wildlife movement corridors, reduce salinity, and improve water quality by reducing sediments, organic matter and other pollutants entering aquatic systems.

### **Where Used**

Apply this enhancement to existing buffers along any water course or water body located in cropland to enhance wildlife habitat. The planned perennial vegetation (trees, shrubs, grasses, forbs and legumes) shall be appropriate to landscape based on Trygg maps, and are to be left undisturbed throughout the growing season.

### **Operation and Maintenance**

Herbaceous vegetation can be manipulated at a maximum of once every 5 years to maintain plant vigor. Haying, grazing, prescribed burning, light disking can be used to manipulate the herbaceous, perennial vegetation. No payment reduction is required during the year manipulated.

### **Documentation Required**

Buffer Type	Field Number	Width (ft)	Acres	Management

### **Payment Rate**

Payment per acre of established and maintained perennial buffers.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_